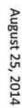
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Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Comcast/Time Warner Cable/Charter transaction. I am writing to share information about Comcast which I believe is relevant as you consider the pending

partner with 500 businesses. basic needs such as education, income/employment, health and housing. To advance our work, we ourselves and support hundreds of other nonprofit organizations primarily focused on providing unmet Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard Counties. We provide a host of services for families and individuals facing poverty. Our service territory encompasses Baltimore City as well as United Way of Central Maryland (UWCM) is a nonprofit organization committed to changing the odds

at large. "Giving back" seems to be part of its culture. and I can testify that Comcast has been consistently and proactively supportive of us and our community recent development. I have been with UWCM for more than a decade (CEO for nearly half of that time), remained an exemplary partner for UWCM and our community. You should know that this is not a Even as it has expanded into new business lines and service territories over the years, Comcast has

solutions from the outset and has added enhancements along the way; and (2) the company continues that poor families might face in bringing broadband services into their homes, Comcast has incorporated so much more than going through the motions to expand enrollment: (1) having anticipated barriers enroll eligible participants to reach out to schools, Head Start centers, faith groups, nonprofits and others to build awareness and Essentials program which serves so many of UWCM's clients. I am impressed that the company is doing Undoubtedly, you will rightfully receive positive feedback about Comcast's impressive Internet

invited to appear (live-to-tape) on countless Comcast Newsmakers' broadcasts allowing us to build list of other nonprofit organizations that have taken advantage of this free public service is extensive. public awareness about our 24-hour call center (2-1-1 Maryland at UWCM) and upcoming events. The Comcast helps nonprofits to get their message out. Over the years, our staff and volunteers have been



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identify and fill gaps in the social safety net and bring best-practice initiatives to life. 2,000 individuals and families facing homelessness. Brad Palazzo, Comcast's Director of External Affairs serve as guides at Baltimore Project Homeless Connect, a one-day resource fair on October 2 serving nationwide in community and civic projects every spring. Comcast is forming a team of volunteers to involved with many organizations and causes, such as Big Brother Big Sisters and Boys & Girls Clubs. I am also impressed that Comcast encourages associates to quite literally "roll up their sleeves" and get for the region, serves on UWCM's Community Partnership Board in Baltimore County where he helps us Their own Comcast Cares Day mobilizes tens of thousands of employees and other volunteers

from their largesse. contributes a generous corporate gift. More than 100 local health and human service nonprofits benefit Comcast employee participation (64% of its local workforce) is among the top 10%. Comcast also support of United Way in central Maryland is among our top 15% of our 500 workplace campaigns, and Comcast encourages its employees to give back monetarily as well. Comcast's annual campaign in

Comcast is an important and trusted community partner.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I can be reached at 410-895-1513 or mark.furst@uwcm.

Sincerely,

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